BEFORE THE KANSAS BOARD OF PHARMACY

In the Matter of)	
)	Case No. 18-059
Elizabeth Azwell)	
Pharmacy Technician)	
Registration No. 14-102244)	

SUMMARY ORDER OF REVOCATION

NOW on this _____ day of April, 2018, comes before the Kansas Board of Pharmacy (the "Board"), through its Executive Secretary, the matter of Elizabeth Azwell, Pharmacy Technician ("Respondent").

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Board by the Kansas Pharmacy Act, K.S.A. 65-1625, et seq., and in accordance with the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act, K.S.A. 77-501, et seq., the Board's Executive Secretary enters this Summary Order of Revocation in the above-captioned matter. After reviewing the investigation materials and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, the Investigation member makes the following findings, conclusions and order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

For purposes of this order, the Board's Executive Secretary makes the following findings of fact:

- 1. The Board has issued Respondent Pharmacy Technician Registration Number 14-102244 authorizing her to perform the functions of a pharmacy technician in the State of Kansas ("Respondent's Registration").
- 2. At all times relevant hereto, Respondent was employed as a Pharmacy Technician in the Walgreens Pharmacy #10150 ("Walgreens").

- 3. On or about January 28, 2018, Respondent admitted to her Walgreens supervisor to fraudulently entering a transaction for a gift card in the amount of \$355.95.
- 4. Respondent also admitted at this time to diverting more than 30 hydrocodone tablets over the course of the previous six months in her role as a pharmacy technician.
- 5. Respondent was subsequently charged with criminal theft by the local authorities.
- 6. Subsequently, the Board's inspector conducted an investigation, which verified Respondent's admission.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 7. That pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1663 the Board may limit, suspend, or revoke a registration or deny an application for issuance or renewal of any registration as a pharmacy technician on any ground which would authorize the board to take action against the license of a pharmacist under K.S.A. 65-1627, and amendments thereto.
- 8. That pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1627(a)(3).the Board may take action against the license of a pharmacist for unprofessional conduct.
- 9. That K.S.A. 65-1626(ccc)(5) defines unprofessional conduct to include the unlawful possession of drugs.
- 10. That K.S.A. 65-1626(ccc)(7) defines unprofessional conduct to include conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public.
- 11. Respondent's conduct in stealing drugs and defrauding gift card purchases for personal gain from her employer, and the potential harmful effects of her actions to the public are basis to revoke Respondent's Registration pursuant to K.S.A 65-1626(ccc)(5) and (7).

<u>ORDER</u>

Based upon the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, Respondent's

Registration is hereby REVOKED.

NOTICES

The Respondent is hereby notified as follows:

12. The Respondent may request a hearing pursuant to the Kansas Administrative

Procedure Act by filing a written request with the Kansas Board of Pharmacy, 800 SW

Jackson, Suite 1414, Topeka, KS 66612-1231 within fifteen (15) days after service of this

order.

13. If a hearing is not requested as described above, the Order revoking the

Respondent's Registration, as a pharmacy technician shall become a final order of the Board,

effective upon the expiration of the time to request a hearing.

14. Within fifteen (15) days after entry of a final agency order, either party may file

a petition for reconsideration pursuant to K.S.A. 77-529.

15. Within the time limits established in K.S.A. 77-613, either party may seek

judicial review of a final agency order, pursuant to said statute. The agency officer designated

to receive service of a petition for judicial review is:

Alexandra Blasi

Executive Secretary

Kansas Board of Pharmacy

800 SW Jackson, Suite 1414

Topeka, KS 66612

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Alexandra Blasi, J.D. M.B.A. Executive Secretary

Kansas Board of Pharmacy

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I did, on the ____ day of April, 2018, deposit in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, a copy of the foregoing Summary Order of Revocation, properly addressed to the following:

Elizabeth Azwell 555 E Cheyenne Gardner, KS 66030

and the original hand delivered to:

Alexandra Blasi Executive Secretary Kansas Board of Pharmacy 800 SW Jackson, Ste. 1414 Topeka, KS 66612

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